

# Celebrating Whitireia



On Tuesday 27 November close to one hundred guests joined us at Pātaka Porirua Museum of Arts and Cultures to celebrate our many achievements and successes during 2007.

Photo: Kaye Jujnovich - Faculty Dean, H.E. Bienvenido V. Tejano - Philippines Ambassador, Kaye Le Gros - International Marketing Manager, Emily Shi – Philippines Embassy and Don Campbell - Chief Executive enjoying the performance by the iconic Whitireia Performing Arts group.



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## Investing in a plan

All tertiary training providers have undertaken a new process to contract funding from the Tertiary Education Commission (TEC) for 2008. Called "Investing In A Plan" the process further develops alignment to the Tertiary Education Strategy 2007-2012 and the Statement of Education Priorities 2008-2010. Key strategic directions are:

- progressing students to higher levels of learning
- increasing engagement with industries to meet regional and national need
- strengthening skills for employment within an economic framework
- building regional networks

Negotiations with TEC are nearing completion. Whitireia expects the terms of our funding with TEC in 2008 to refocus the Auckland Campus on its core purpose: international students. Our EFTS have been set for 2008, 2009 and 2010. The challenge now is to convert these numbers into a budget with a viable surplus.

## 2008, openings in the year ahead

- The Porirua Industry Training Centre opens in February.
- The new Wellington campus in Cuba Street opens in March.
- The Health Studies building on the harbour in Porirua opens in April.

## Study advice

### Information Centres provide independent course advice.

Whitireia supports two information centres where you can gain independent course advice: *Careers Sorted* in Coastlands ShoppingTown Mall, Paraparaumu and *The Learning Shop*, Porirua Town Centre under the



Serlby Place, Porirua City

Canopies.

*Careers Sorted* was officially launched on 19 November by the new Kapiti Coast Mayor Jenny Rowan. Before cutting the ribbon Ms Rowan spoke of the benefits to the Kapiti district of having a highly educated population.

Since opening the doors, 500 people of all ages have visited for advice on tertiary

The most popular draw cards have been demonstrations of course work by Nurses and Visual Arts along with free introductory computer training.



Mayor Jenny Rowan opening *Careers Sorted*, Paraparaumu.

(Photo courtesy of David Haxton, Kapiti Weekly News.)

## Wellington campus moves



107 Cuba Street Wellington will be home to a new Whitireia campus in 2008. "Its a much better fit to the profile of our programmes in Wellington" says Whitireia

Chief Operating Officer Pat Stuart. The new campus is in the historic former Working Men's and Literacy Society building.

"The interior will provide easier access, flexible configuration, incorporates video conferencing and state of the art computer suites. Essentially its an open plan refit and over 1000sq metres on one floor."

"We felt that it would give us a great location that matches the suite of programmes we offer in journalism and publishing. The

entrepreneurial and new business venture culture of the area links to flexible programmes we will offer in administration management, business, computing and café / bar work. "

While the interior of the building had little historical value, the building's exterior was quite prominent, Ms Stuart said: "It has a historic façade which is to be preserved."

## Prague research trip and exhibition

A trip to northern and eastern Europe was a journey back in time to the age of mammoths and Neolithic stone carvers for Whitireia Visual Arts tutor and sculptor Owen Mapp. Owen undertook a month-long tour lecturing and exhibiting in the Czech Republic and Denmark.

A research grant from Whitireia, where he teaches sculpture and carving, and an invitation to teach at the School of Arts and Crafts in Turnov central Bohemia, gave him the opportunity to extend his work.



"I don't want to just go into jeweller's studios, I want to see where the stones they are working on come from. I want to meet the guys who are digging this stuff out of the ground," Owen says.

Aside from lecturing at Turnov and at the Copenhagen Museum on New Zealand jade-carving techniques, he held exhibitions at the Turnov Museum and the Zatecki Gallery in Prague.

## New faces in the Arts faculty

New faculty Dean Kaye Jujnovich has moved across campus. Kaye completed her Masters of Education in 2004 and has achieved significant results for the Bachelor of Early Childhood Education as Associate Dean. "The degree processes and academic side are the same. We want to position ourselves so that we are able to participate in the international scene and also engage strongly with industry."

"I'm taking over a faculty that has considerable strengths in areas like jewellery, performance, music and creative writing," she says. "The potential for further development is exhilarating." Artist and educator Rudy

Whitehead-López has moved south from the Hawkes Bay Museum and Art Gallery in Napier to take over as Programme Manager for Visual Arts. Rudy says art in New Zealand has features in common with other Pacific Rim countries and he intends to develop these connections for the benefit of students.

"We've recently had contact with Tonga, Hong Kong, the Solomons, the Philippines, Mexico – it's incredible the possibilities we see for the future."

Rudy gained his Masters degree in Fine Arts from Whitecliffe College of Art and Design, Auckland. Rudy and his wife Jan have three children, India, Isaac and Ben.



Kaye Jujnovich



Rudy Whitehead-López

## Whitireia Librarian in Vietnam

Ailsa Parker, Deputy Library Manager, at Whitireia will be delivering a paper entitled Short Messaging Service (SMS): its use in the digital library, at the 10th International Conference on Asian Digital Libraries early in December 2007, in Hanoi, Vietnam.

The conference theme is "Asian Digital Libraries: Looking Back 10 Years and Forging New Frontiers".

The International Conference on Asian Digital Libraries (ICADL) is one of the leading international conferences in digital libraries research. It is a forum for sharing ideas, research results and experiences in digital libraries, related technologies and associated practical and social issues.

## Great progress on new faculty building

Contractors are on schedule to complete the new \$5 million Health Education and Social Sciences building on the harbour's edge in Wineera Drive, Porirua. The two-storey building is to provide new accommodation for nursing, paramedic, social work and early childhood degree courses as well as diploma and certificate qualifications. These programmes have outgrown their existing spaces and will benefit from the associated lecture theatre re-development. The building has been designed

using environmental sustainability principles.

Innovative, supportive teaching and new buildings, driven by industry engagement make Whitireia the sustainable skills centre of the future.

Dr Margaret Southwick Dean of Faculty commented that the "new facility is being eagerly awaited by both staff and students. Thanks to the growing popularity of the programmes offered by this faculty, accommodation has been an issue over the past two years."



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## Industry Training Centre to open early next year

Redevelopment work is nearly complete at the Industry Training Centre in Elsdon, Porirua. The \$750,000 refurbishment brings all trades training together on one site and provides three new workshops, teaching rooms and garages. The redevelopment includes covering a carpentry area, building a vehicle storage area and a new welding shop.

"We are looking towards an early 2008 opening, once

everything is kitted out and ready to roll," says Stephen Wickens, Dean of the Service Industries and Trades Faculty.

"Most of the structural stuff is almost complete and it should be finished within a few weeks, but there is the tidying and fitting out remaining." The industry Training Centre focuses on traditional trade training to meet skill groups. The skills will now be taught in great workshops."

## Earlybird enrolment!

Reserve your place for 2008 by enrolling before 31 December 2007 and you will only pay the 2007 fee\*.

\*Some conditions apply

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## New photocopiers and printers save money

Whitireia is replacing all photocopiers and computer printers spread around four campuses with 50 modern efficient Multi-Functional Devices (MFD's) that combine three functions – photocopying, printing and scanning - into one machine.

"The new machines are faster, more efficient and cheaper to run than most of the old printers they replace. Some of the new machines also have added features

like printing larger paper sizes, with both colour and B&W options. The move is expected to produce savings of over \$100,000 a year" said Hylton Tuckett, ICT Manager.

The contract, signed off in September, standardises all Canon MFD's across all campuses and gives all staff and students access to the new technology.



Chief Executive, Don Campbell with Dave Rudd Canon National Sales Manager after signing the contract.